



EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

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MINUTES OF THE EDBF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, 27th February 2018 at 18.00hrs (GMT)

HELD IN VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING

Present:

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| EDBF Executive Committee: | Claudio Schermi | CS | EDBF President | ITA |
| | Ute Becker-Frenzel | UBF | EDBF Vice President | GER |
| | Peter Jarosi | PJ | EDBF Vice President | HUN |
| | Petr Klima | PK | EDBF Vice President | CZE |
| | Maura Dezi (arrived 18.35) | MD | EDBF Treasurer | ITA |
| | Julie Doyle | JD | EDBF Secretary General | IRL |
| | Andrew Menzies | AM | Member's Representative | GBR |
| Non-Voting: | Mike Mackeddie-Haslam | MH | EDBF Honorary President | GBR |
| | Alan van Caubergh | AvC | EDBF Honorary President | NLD |
| | Mike Thomas | MT | IDBF President | GBR |
| | Csenge Báthory-Bozó | CBB | Translator for Peter Jarosi | HUN |

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Action</u> |
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| 1.00 | <u>Welcome Address / Roll Call</u> |
| 1.01 | CS welcomed everyone to the meeting. |
| 1.02 | Apologies were received from Kim Beckwith and Maura Dezi who will join the meeting late. |
| 2.00 | <u>Confirmation of Agenda</u> |
| 2.01 | The meeting agenda was confirmed as presented. |
| 3.00 | <u>Acceptance of Previous EDBF Executive Committee Meeting Minutes</u> |
| 3.01 | The minutes of the previous EDBF Executive Committee Meeting held on 30th January 2018 were accepted in full with the following amendments. |
| 3.02 | Page 1 – Delete title “Council Representatives” and move names to Non-Voting. |
| 3.03 | Page 3 – Delete “EDBF will be represented by Claudio Schermi – EDBF President, Mike Thomas – IDBF President, Alan van Caubergh – IDBF Treasurer, Maura Dezi – EDBF Treasurer” and replace with “Currently attending on behalf of the EDBF are Claudio Schermi and Maura Dezi. A delegation from the IDBF will also be attending made up of Mike Thomas and Alan van Caubergh”. |
| 4.00 | <u>Matters Arising From Previous EDBF Executive Committee Meeting Held On 30th January 2018.</u> |



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| 4.01 | Any outstanding matters will be discussed and updated in the President's Report or as an item on the agenda. | |
| 5.00 | <u>EDBF President's Report</u> | |
| 5.01 | See attached EDBF President's Report. | |
| 5.02 | ECCC 2019 – Following the 3 site visits in Spain CS recommended that the best option for the Championships would be to hold it in Seville. CS also proposed that the 2018 Convention should be held in Seville for nations to view the proposed course. Both items will be included on the 2018 Congress agenda for approval by the membership. President's report attached. | JD |
| 5.03 | ENC 2018 – UBF and her team are preparing well for the forthcoming championships in Germany. A number of queries have been raised regarding the mixed team composition rule in Europe for both standard and small boats. CS will recommend to the Council Meeting that the technical proposals from Saed Abdalla, Chair Holder of the EDBF ComSpec Commission, and the proposals about the 1000m racing program should be considered and approved. President's report attached. Saed Abdalla (ComSpec Commission) proposals attached for Council decisions. | CS |
| 5.04 | Following his visit CS advised he was very impressed by the Armenian Dragon Boat Federation's efforts to develop dragon boating as a competitive sport and as a social activity. After the visit Armenia confirmed the provisional entries to the EDBF ENC in Brandenburg. CS visited the Xalbert Spashl Orthopenig where a dragon boat project for disabled children is on going. CS proposed to consider Armenia for support in the EDBF development policy. President's report attached. | |
| 5.05 | EDBF/European Canoe Association (ECA) Meeting – MT clarified that the original intention was for a meeting between the IDBF and ICF only with some proposed discussion about dragon boating in Europe. In the last meeting in Lausanne the idea of a meeting at continental level come out at the side of the meeting with Perorena. | |
| 5.06 | MH advised that the ECA were practically not functioning with dragon boating in Europe and that the EDBF and ECA were not two equal parties. If the ECA wanted to be involved in Europe then they should join the EDBF who are in a very strong position. | |
| 5.07 | It was agreed that the following people would attend the meeting. IDBF – Mike Thomas and Alan van Cauberg. EDBF – Claudio Schermi, Maura Dezi, Ute Becker-Frenzel. FIDB – Antonio de Lucia. | |



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6.00 Statutes Update

6.01 Following further review of the EDBF Statutes the following wording also needs revising. The following amendments in Article 9 were approved by the Executive Committee to be submitted to Council.

6.02 **Article 9 – Management of the EDBF**

9.2 – Delete “The Full Member representatives shall retire in the same year as the President” and replace with “The representative of the Full Member and the five (5) representatives from the Members shall retire in the same year as the Presidents”.

6.03 9.3 – Delete “A Full or Basic Member’s Representative can be nominated by any EDBF Member entitled to vote or the can be re-nominated by their respective EDBF Member concerned or replaced by the Executive Committee” and replace with “The five (5) representatives from the Members can be nominated by any EDBF Member entitled to vote or they can be re-nominated by their respective EDBF Member concerned or replaced by the Executive Committee”.

6.04 The EDBF Extra Ordinary Congress should have voted for the representative of the Full Member in Berlin in November 2015, but this was not done. See Berlin 2015 minutes.

6.05 In July 2017 the EDBF Congress should have voted again for the Commission Chair Holders, the representative of the Full Member and the five (5) representatives from the Members, but this was also missed.

6.06 It was proposed that a transition rule is implemented for 2018 - Commission Chair Holders, the representative of the Full Member and the five (5) representatives from the Members shall retire for re-elections at the 2018 Congress. In the future they shall retire in the same year as the President, as per the Statutes which would mean they would be re-elected again in 2021.

6.07 Representative of the Full Member currently is Andrew Menzies (Great Britain).

6.08 The five representatives from the Members are Germany, Italy, Sweden, Great Britain and Poland.

6.09 It was agreed that all proposals will be put forward to the Council Meeting.

CS

7.00 EDBF Bye-Laws

7.01 It was confirmed that no comments were received regarding the amendments to the EDBF Bye-Laws, which were circulated to all members in advance of the meeting. The Bye-Laws should now be back to back with the IDBF Bye-Laws.



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7.02 Article 12.3 Governing Members Associations – CS proposed that we should delete the second paragraph “An EDBF Governing Association is defined as one that is not part of another Governing Body of Sport. (for example, other water sports governing bodies like Canoeing or Rowing or a sports body that does not have a direct interest in water sports)”. This Bye-Law now looks very unfair for very active members such as Sweden. It also goes against our wish to open dialogue with the ICF and ECA.

7.03 All changes were approved by the Executive Committee to be submitted to Council.

8.00 EDBF Treasurer’s Report

8.01 See attached Treasurer’s Report – February 2018.

8.02 EDBF Savings Account €19,833.20
EDBF Current Account €23,967.47
Cash in Hand €0.00
Balance €43,800.67

8.03 EDBF Membership Payments – 14 nations have paid to date and 10 are left to pay of the ones that are known to be active.

8.04 See attached draft Treasurer’s Budget for 2018. It was noted that the budget was very condensed and required more detail. AvC and MD to review the budget for the next meeting.

MD /
AvC

8.05 It was suggested that rules should be set up regarding expenses reimbursement and standards for Officials and Race Officials, with a protocol for travel, accommodation, food and a time limit for requests of reimbursement. As agreed with CS in Berlin, UBF advised that as part of her Vice President’s portfolio she was preparing a document on this.

UBF

9.00 Commissions Update – Vice President’s Portfolios

9.01 Commission Updates to be discussed in the Council Meeting.

9.02 See attached report from Ute Becker-Frenzel.

9.03 See attached report from Kim Beckwith. This was referred to the Council Meeting.

9.04 Peter Jarosi is currently very busy with organising the CCWC 2018. As part of his portfolio he is reviewing innovative use of programmes. He is willing to cooperate with President for his large experience and as IDBF VP.

9.04 Petr Klima is currently making contact with all the EDBF members and with



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festival organizers. He is looking at unifying a system of dragon boating registration in every country with large participation numbers. Also for the big nations he is looking at how clubs are nominated for ECCC.

10.00 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting

10.01 EDBF Executive Committee Meeting - Tuesday, 27/03/18 at 18.00hrs (GMT) via Zoom – 2 hrs.

10.02 EDBF Executive Committee Meeting - Tuesday, 24/04/18 at 18.00hrs (GMT) via Zoom – 2 hrs

Attachments:

- EDBF President's Report on Site Inspections for ENC 2019 in Spain – 1 – 3 February 2018.
- EDBF President's Report on Visit to Organising Committee of ENC 2018 in Berlin – 16 February 2018.
- EDBF President's Report on Visit to Armenia – 19/21 February 2018.
- EDBF President's Report – February 2018.
- EDBF Treasurer's Report – February 2018.
- EDBF Draft Treasurer's Budget – February 2018.
- Ute Becker-Frenzel (VP) Report – February 2018.
- Kim Beckwith (VP) Report – February 2018.
- ComSpec Commission's Report – February 2018.

Minutes produced by Julie Doyle – EDBF Secretary General

Signed by:

Claudio Schermi
President
European Dragon Boat Federation

Dated: 15th March 2018